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Head, Intelligence School

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Memorandum of April thirtieth

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1. I am in general agreement with all the points made in this memorandum. Since I am more familiar with the matters discussed in paragraphs one and two, I shall confine my remarks to them.

2. [Redacted] views concerning the Intelligence School are in accord with my own ideas. It is my feeling that our course should extend for six weeks and that in such a period we can give the instruction needed for basic training. I thoroughly agree that we should emphasize intelligence methods and problems as much as possible. It is our intention, as suggested by [Redacted], to introduce some trainee projects which will give the students a taste of the kinds of situations they will encounter in their future work.

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3. I am in agreement with [Redacted] ideas concerning the use of the one hundred trainee slots. I believe that we should continue to recruit a selected group from outside CIA and mix them in the basic course with new employees recruited against the slots of other offices. The future training proposed for the persons carried on our T/O seems sound to me. I am sure that there will always be places in CIA for people who have had the benefit of a carefully directed training program. The rarer languages, area studies, and intelligence methodology are fields into which selected trainees could be profitably directed. [Redacted] recommendation for a person to keep track of trainees on our T/O is sound to my mind.

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